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PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2)

Attn: Frances Hicks
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PETITION

1. Applicant hereby petitions for the withdrawal of this application from issue.

PATENT ISSUE FEE

2. The issue fee for this case was paid on September 15, 2003.

This application has not yet been assigned a patent number or an issue date.

REASON(S) FOR WITHDRAWAL REQUEST

3. The reason for withdrawal from issue of this application is for consideration of a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

EXPRESS ABANDONMENT

4. *(check appropriate item, if applicable)*

- ☐ The continuing application is filed as a continued prosecution application which is considered to be a request to expressly abandon this application as of the filing date granted to the continuing application. 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)(2)(v).
- ☐ Accompanying this petition is an express abandonment of this application to be effective on the grant of this petition and when the continuing application is granted a filing date so as to make this application copending with the continuing application.

FILING OF CONTINUING APPLICATION

(check appropriate item, if applicable)

5. The continuing application claiming priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 from this application
- ☐ was filed on _____.
- ☐ is being filed on the same date as this petition.
- ☐ These papers accompany this petition.

FILING OF REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER § 1.114

(check appropriate item, if applicable)

6. The Request For Continued Examination of this application under § 1.114
- ☐ was filed on _____.
- ☒ is being filed on the same date as this petition.
- ☒ These papers accompany this petition.

7. **PETITION FEES** (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i))

The petition fee is paid as follows:

- ☐ Enclosed is a check in the sum of \$130.00.
- ☒ Charge Account 11-0875 the sum of \$130.00.

A duplicate of this petition is attached.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I, Mary L. Roberts, hereby certify that on January 26, 2004 this Petition for Withdrawal from Issue under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2) is being sent by facsimile transmission addressed to Frances Hicks, c/o Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA via facsimile number (702) 872-9306.

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